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Mendota Pool and Drill Crew - Photo Credit: Lisa Zaffran

San Joaquin River Restoration Program (SJRRP) drilling activities are underway in a stretch of the river known as the Mendota Pool (River Mile 205). A drill crew from the Pacific Northwest Region and geologists from the MP Region are working in coordination to complete drilling investigations. In this view, crew members use a pontoon boat to maneuver a barge upstream. Drilling equipment, secured to the barge, allows soil samples and geotechnical data to be obtained from the river bottom to a depth of approximately 60 feet. This data is necessary to inform engineers who are designing proposed structures in Reach 2B.

The SJRRP is a comprehensive, long-term effort to restore flows to the San Joaquin River from Friant Dam to the confluence of the Merced River and restore a self-sustaining Chinook salmon fishery in the river while reducing or avoiding adverse water supply impacts from restoration flows.

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